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New Life for Radio

After a two-year absence from the U of T airwaves, Radio Varsity will soon begin broadcasting again on an experimental basis. Any requests?

Radio Varsity will begin broadcasting on a limited programming basis after being idle for a period of two years. Commencing this month broadcasts will be heard between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the SAC offices and University College where distribution lines have remained operable.

SAC Communications Commissioner, Doug Gerhart, described the re-opening as nothing more than a "data collecting operation" for now. He said the main purpose of the operation is to get a comprehensive idea of what the major problems are in setting up a viable internal structure for the station.

"The basic question SAC waits to see answered is whether Radio Varsity is just an expensive, glorified sand-box or if, rather, it can be useful, cost-efficient campus service," he said.

The cost data approach, he feels, will be much more valuable than any number of studies that could be prepared by committees mandated to study the questions that SAC needs to have answered before it can allow the station to again permanently broadcast.

Some of the questions he hopes to have answered in the next term include whether the University of Toronto has in its midst the people with the talent and the endurance to see a re-opening of the station through; and exactly what type of internal management structure is necessary to accommodate the answer to the first question, given the many alternatives that exist, such as whether to pay the management staff or have the station operator on a solely voluntary basis.

As for the programming itself, however, he said, "I do not think we will be on the air long enough to determine whether we are satisfying the students as a whole in terms of the type of programming being offered or the quality."

Gerhart's role in the revision of the station has been described as one of pulling all other interested parties together. Since the station closed down two years ago, due to a culmination of management problems and a desire to obtain an FM licence, many people have approached SAC with proposals aimed at getting Radio Varsity back on its feet. And with the bid for a "wide angle" FM licence (10,000 watts) fallen through, with Q107 actually winning out, interest in the station reached a high ebb earlier this year resulting in Gerhart calling an open house for November where proposals could be discussed.

A qualified success, the open house attracted approximately 70 interested people. Since then they have been divided into committees each having to deal with specific areas of the radio stations workings.

SAC president, John Tuzyk, reported that he is very pleased with these committees' progress to date, and especially that of the group working to formulate a news policy. He said that the news department was sorely lacking at the station before its shutdown.

The start-up budget for the experiment is minimal at $300. According to Gerhart, "the last time Radio Varsity was included in a SAC budget in 1975, they were given more than $22,000." He is confident however, that considering the degree of operations proposed this sum will be enough to see limited broadcasting through until the end of the year.

Investigators are now looking into possible other means of funding; these include the selling of advertising time, a D.J. rental service, and Wintario grants.

A major problem with Radio Varsity in the past has been an inability to generate advertising revenue. Whether it was a lack of effort on the management's part to procure advertising or just the nature of the station's operations has never been determined.

Besides trying to sort out some ideas on what the structure of Radio Varsity's management staff should be, the question of distribution will be addressed. Presently the station's broadcasts are carried internally between distribution points via a direct capable link-up. Other options facing SAC include: becoming part of the FM cable service in Toronto or sending signals around the campus by carrier current received by special equipment at the point of desired distribution.

Gerhart is not ruling out another try at an FM licence, only this time for a low voltage type (2,000 watts). This is the same type of licence the CRTC granted the University of Waterloo radio station recently. There is still one available for the Toronto area.

Whatever decision is made about distribution, it will surely have a profound effect on the station's potential to sell advertising.

That's of course if this experiment works, and Radio Varsity does return next year in full operation. There is still a chance that it won't according to Gerhart, but all indications from the experiment are that it will.

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Interview With Mark Rudd:

Recalling The Era of Campus Revolt

(Canadian University Press)

Last September, a clean cut 29-year-old walked out of a New York cab with his lawyer to face hundreds of reporters and charges of disorderly conduct.

In November, the same thing happened in Chicago, only this time the charges were for inciting to riot. He was lucky in New York and he should be lucky in Chicago to receive minor sentences.

The name Mark Rudd — chairperson of the Columbia University chapter, and later national secretary of Students for a Democratic Society (SCS) — probably is now well recognized now. But his recent arrest recalls a period 10 years ago when the media made Columbia University and Mark Rudd synonymous with SDS and world-wide campus revolt.

Rudd was president of the Columbia chapter of SCS when, in the spring of 1968, the New York college became a battleground between students and police. The immediate issues were the university's decision to build a gym in a local neighborhood park, and Columbia's involvement with the Institute for Defence Analysis.

But the campus, simmering for two years, grew into a general protest against the war and the capitalist system itself. It ended eight days later with all-out bloody assault by New York's elite tactical patrol force.

Columbia 1968 was the most significant campus rebellion and Mark Rudd the most significant campus rebel — not so much because either was extreme or unusual, as that both had come to the fore in the media capital of the world at a time when campuses on both sides of the Atlantic were roiled with demonstrations.

The New York Times and the Associated Press, whose headquarters site on land owned by Columbia University, made Columbia's SDS and its president Mark Rudd the epitomy of what was happening on scores of other campuses across the world.

In the summer of 1969, SDS broke up in bitter disarray, prompted by factional squabbles between the direct-action Weathermen and the dogmatic Progressive Labor Party. Among the Weathermen faction was Mark Rudd.

Rudd was one of the principle planners of the four October "Days of Rage" in Chicago 1970 when Weathermen, dressed for combat, ran through the streets of Chicago fighting with police and smashing up downtown stores.

After the "Days of Rage," during which Rudd was arrested, the organization went underground. Rudd apparently was dropped from the ranks of lead cadre and there was no mention of him, even in underground communiques, until he turned himself over to New York police in September.

The following interview, the only one Rudd has given or plans to give, was conducted with the understanding that, for legal reasons, no questions would be asked about the charges he faces or what he has done since 1970.

CUP: Why did you originally join SDS?

RUDD: I was impressed in my freshman year at Columbia by the work they had done in organizing poor people, tenants, minorities and students into an effective force against the powers of the state. By that I mean the interaction of the military, government and business organizations, which at the time were working simultaneously to suppress the legitimate grievances and struggles of people overseas and of people at home.

I'll anticipate your next question by stating that whether or not the powers of the state worked by agreement or conspiracy was irrelevant. They all worked toward the same ends in their best interests, which was suppression of the Vietnamese, Dominicans, etc. abroad and suppression of any group — Blacks, students, workers, tenants — who tried to rock the boat at home.

CUP: It sounds as if SDS was big umbrella organization supporting every cause it could touch.

RUDD: What I'm saying is that SDS provided the leadership for the first really home-grown left in the U.S. We taught the mechanics of political organizing and protest to a segment of the population who didn't need to read and recite the dogma of the old bearded wonders to know they were living in a fucked up situation and action had to be taken in some form relevant to the situation.

At its inception and through its first five years SDS was a "student power" type movement, and quite liberal. But as our understanding of the society developed, our understanding of the university's role in it also changed.

During the 1967-68 Columbia campaign we saw the university as a factory whose goal was to produce trained personnel for corporations, government, and more universities, and knowledge of the uses of business and government to perpetuate the status quo. Government studies at Columbia, for example, attempted to explain our society solely through concepts of pluralism and competing group interest, while the reality of the situation was quite different.

In our strike, we united with many of the people who had been affected by the university's policies — the tenants in Columbia-owned buildings, the Harlem community, the university employees. Many other people on the outside saw us confront a symbol of those who controlled the decisions that were made in the country.

CUP: You were quoted as saying: "We're the pointmen, the focus for organizing and supplying help for the...combined struggles of students, the Young Lords (a Puerto Rican activist group), the Venceremos Brigade (young Americans and Canadians who worked in Cuba), GI resistance.. and our early contacts with China, Cuba, Vietnam and other Third World groups." Isn't that just a bit elitist in retrospect?

RUDD: I'm not saying SDS was the only group that did anything in the 1960s, but we were the one group with enough funds and members at the time to kind of serve as a catalyst. We were also responsible for radicalizing a good portion of the American population by showing them in a way they could understand, the myths and contradictions in American society.

We could do this as a large group while the (Young) Lords and the (Black) Panthers were being wiped out for trying to demonstrate the same things. We had that advantage; but also that responsibility to join in the struggles of other groups.

In the 1960s, SDS, with the exception of PL (the Progressive Labor Party), had rejected that tired old campus-worker-student alliance business as unworkable and irrelevant. Although opinions changed on how and who to organize, the mere fact that one was a student did not mean that they too were not fodder for the system, in a very similar sense to other workers.

Even before the formation of what you've termed the "action faction" (militant wing of SDS) at Columbia, many of us had been convinced that direct action was the only way to activate other segments of society in the United States. It was a tactical decision, therefore, and not some negarious Freudian fixation, as some have suggested.

We're getting into that old dilemma of direct action versus long-term base building for a revolution. You of course realize that what you're about to ask is a question that may have been argued in history's first uprising and I won't talk about that now. I will say that we had a well thought out reason and foundation for the actions we took.

All that crap about SDS members never reading or discussing anything about Marx, was bullshit. All you have to do is check old copies of New Left Notes (the old SDS newspaper) to find that theoretical considerations were argued. But given the exigencies of the time, was one willing to wait 10 milleniums for what some armchair Marxists hoped would be a "revolutionary working class consciousness" throughout America? Yeah, you know there are those that four years after the war can say, "Ah yes, in a Marxist framework it all fit into place." Ex post facto it's easy and glib to say, stroking your beard, "it all fit into place."

What I'm trying to get at is what I said about SDS in the beginning. We were home-grown, and presented a plan of action that was relevant to the situation, rather than relying on a textbook or some little book filled with quotes. At the same time, though, the anti-intellectual charge against us was bullshit.

CUP: You're beginning to sound like one of the old SDS generation, like Tom Hayden or even Kirkpatrick Sale, reminiscing about...

RUDD: Hold it! I haven't even run for U.S. senator yet. Hayden and his peers were activist liberals. But they were no more than liberals and his running for senator was completely consistent with the vein that he had always existed in.

You can compare the early SDS people to the later ones all you want, relative to the times they were living in. But that's all. It became quite obvious even to crusty old reporters from the New York Times, that there was quite a bit of difference between the SDS of 1968 and the SDS of 1962.

CUP: Okay, let's get back to the "old bearded wonders." The SDS national office seemed to draw a lot of criticism from a faction within — the Progressive Labor Party (PL) — foir being oblivious to the working class, Marx, Lenin, while concentrating solely on "liberal" action and programmatic approaches to leftist activity.

RUDD?: So what else is new? (Note: the SDS split up in 1969 following bitter debates between those who wanted to continue the escalating policy of direct action and the PL faction which wanted to make SDS a "party of the working class.")

The PL had a traditional vision of the role of the working class, and were trying to apply it where it would never work. They were disciplined as hell, so in big meetings they pulled weight out of all proportion to their numbers... PL botched up and skewered all practical debates along ideological lines and programs, programs which spelled zero for them once they were out on their own.

PL's rigid belief in forming a working class party was fantasy. At NYU (New York University) one day I saw one member of a PL picket line for cafeteria workers nearly run over by one of the very workers he was picketing for — pretty pathetic.

Besides, PL clearly got most of its recruits right out of the SDS itself and almost never out of the workers it claimed to struggle for. At the PL founding convention in 1965, of over a thousand delegates there were, I think, only four workers. The rest were students. When PL ignomiously faded away, I guarantee the ratio of students to workers remained not very much improved.

CUP: You're beginning to sound cynical about what went on.

RUDD: You can find all that out when I write my memoirs, okay?

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Credit Notes

New New Program Stalled

Erindale Dean Desmond Morton's New New Programme is still stalled following a meeting of the General Committee of the Faculty of Arts and Science. A meeting had been scheduled for December 5, but was cancelled due to a heavy snowstorm.

In a recent interview Morton said he was intrigued that a full Erindale contingent made it to the downtown campus before finding out that the meeting was cancelled.

At the next meeting a week later the Erindale faculty encountered further delaying tactics by the main administration, according to Morton. One committee member asked that it be "referred back for further consideration." Nevertheless the mid-afternoon meeting "wandered on" till 5:30 when another committee member called for a quorum and five people promptly stood up and left, said Dean Morton. They were, he added, plainly against the New New Programme.

Commenting on the most recent delay, Morton remarked, "As I've said, I find it amusing that people are so desperately preoccupied with the affairs of this campus after so many years (of ignoring it)."

Another meeting to discuss the New New Programme is to be held today.

SAC Ski Days

A schedule of SAC's Ski Days for this season is now available from all SAC locations. Running from January 6 to March 17 the trips cost $11.95 per day and include return coach fare and a tow ticket. The weekday trips, which will be to the Georgian Peaks and Blue Mountain in Collingwood, are planned for every Thursday and Friday in January and every Friday in February and March. The first trips are on January 6, Thursday the 12th and Friday the 13th.

The skiers, of whom there were 2,000 last year, will be picked up at 6:45 a.m. in front of the SAC office at 12 Hart House Circle with one stop at the northwest corner of Bathurst Street and Lawrence Avenue West between 6:45 and 7:00 a.m. The returning buses leave Blue Mountain at 4:30 p.m. There are two large cafeteria-style restaurants at the resort and lodge space is available at the vase of the mountain or in town three miles away.

Included in the program are special trips such as the first big Georgian Peaks trip on January 20th, the fare of which is also $11.95. There will be opportunities, too, to see the Ontario University alpine ski races as well as the U. of T. Men's and Women's Ski teams in competition.

Tickets are only valid for the trip for which they were purchased and skiers must take liability for personal injury, or loss, theft or damage of private property on the trip.

More Room on Way

In this year's very first issue of **Medium II**, Credit Notes reported that 106 lockers had to be transferred from their berth at the east end of the North Building to make room for increased classroom space.

Almost four months later, said classroom space is almost upon us, in the form of Room 175.

Work began on the room around the later part of October, and was a moderately difficult construction job, involving the cutting of windows and another door to the outside, plus substantial changes in ventilation.

According to Erindale Superintendant A.O. Miller, only minor touches are required to complete the room, which should be ready for classroom use within a week's time. 'It's at o ne of those funny stages of completion where I can't say it's finished, but it's so close that it really is," Miller said.

The project was financed, says Erindale Dean (Academic) Desmond Morton, by a grant from the Ministry of Colleges and Universities which, until this year, subsidized capital works expenditures. Henceforth, Morton added, the Government will include a small component in the formula grant to universities in Ontario for capital expenditures.

Erindale Falling Over

MISSISSAUGA (PAP) — Scientists studying the possibilities of the CN Tower's falling over have discovered that the same properties exist in Erindale College's South Building which could cause anything to fall over.

"The basic properties always Exist," explained physicist Dr. Laminar Plumb, "If something stands up, and there is gravity about, then it might fall over. We are very concerned about your south building at the moment."

Officials at Erindale are equally concerned about the potential disaster which awaits on our campus. Vice-Principal Robin Ross expressed amazement at the lack of planning on the part of engineers designing the building.

"Here they build the CN tower, that won't fall over even if 30 elephants tried to push it over. Who started this gravity business anyway? He ought to be sued. Damned nuisance, the whole thing."

Vice-Principal Desmond Morton is reportedly attempting to sell the movie rights for the possible debacle. He intends to call the film, "I was a teenage Earthquake."

Evan's Successor

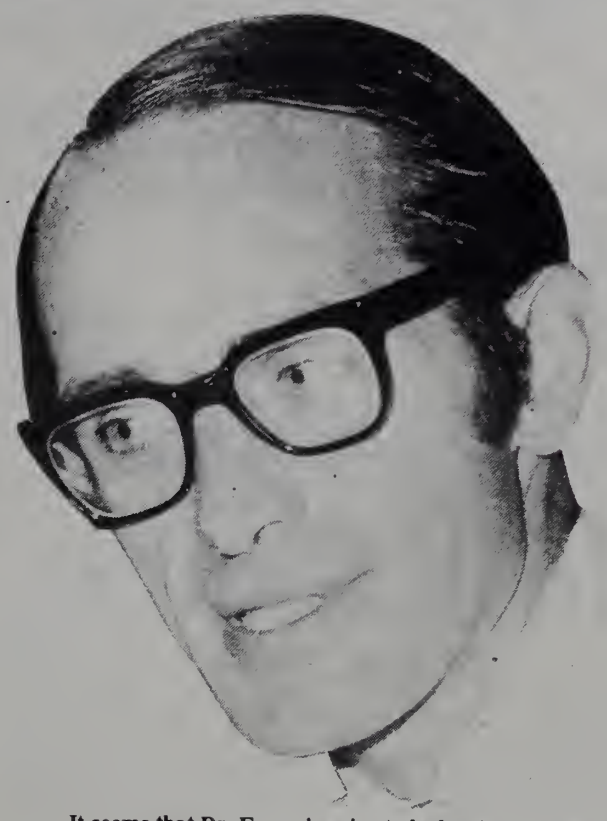
Search For President Narrows

The Search Committee appointed to find a presidential successor to President John Evans will make its final recommendation to the Governing Council of the University of Toronto on Tuesday, January 10, 1978. Following the announcement of Dr. Evans resignation, the 15 member Search Committee was formed last July to nominate a possible successor for the prestigious presidential office.

Although the candidates being considered have been kept secret, there was a recent report by informed sources that stated that the three leading candidates were Don Forster, president of Guelph University; Stefan Dupre, former chairman of the Council on University Affairs; and James Ham, dean of the University of Toronto's graduate faculty. The Toronto Star also reported that Ron Watts, principal of Queen's University; or Bill Saywell, president of the University of Toronto's Innis College "might emerge as a compromise if the various factions on the committee supporting the three favorites become stalemated."

When the Search Committee convened last summer they were prepared to draw up a list of candidates, review these candidates and make a final selection. The selected candidate's name will then be presented to the Governing Council, who will then make a final decision on the recommended candidate's acceptibility. In the unlikely event that the Search Committee's recommendation should be rejected by the Governing Council, the committee would have to begin once more in their search for a new president.

A member of the Search Committee refused to verify any of the above mentioned candidates but did assure **Medium II** that a decision has been made and that the candidate will be nominated at the Governing Council meeting tomorrow.



It seems that Dr. Evans is going to be leaving us soon.

Since Evans resigned there have been continuous rumors regarding his political aspirations. Evans, a long time vocal supporter of the Liberal Party, is rumored to be a strong candidate for the Rosedale riding in Toronto and is even considered by some as a possible successor to Prime Minister Trudeau.

Perhaps at a time when the university is struggling with the provincial government and is confronted with the public in regards to the quality of education, the committee will have to choose a candidate with both political clout and an understanding of the educational requirements in the 1970s. As the former chairman of the Council on University Affairs, Stefan Dupre would appear to be the natural choice. Dupre is reputed to have a good deal of influence within the Department of Colleges and Universities and could be the crusader the university needs to resist government cutbacks in the university budget.

However, there have been rumors that some members of the Search Committee appear to be more interested in keeping the appointment within the university itself and thus favour the appointment of James Ham. But the strongest lobby within the committee would apear to be for Dupre, and because of his political clout Dupre does appear to most committee members to be the natural choice.

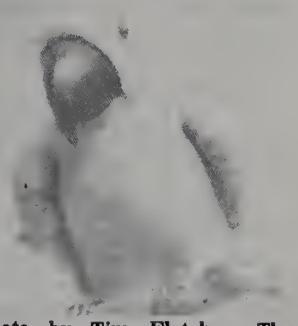
Parrott Comes To U of T

Harry Parrott, Ontario Minister of Colleges and Universities, will defend the province's student aid scheme before University of Toronto students for the first time later this week. He is scheduled to appear in a two hour question and answer session at the Medical Sciences Auditorium, Thursday, January 12 at 4 p.m.

The appearance is "a very significant thing," according to Students Administrative Council (SAC) President John Tuzyk. "We finally got him to come to Ontario's largest university to talk about student aid proposals." Parrott discussed the Ontario Study Grants Program on a speaking tour of five Ontario universities and community colleges almost three months ago, but did not include the U of T in his stops.

Following waves of protest, and months of discussion between Parrott's office and SAC, the minister agreed first to a December 22nd appearance, before settling on January 12, a date more aceptable to student leaders.

Tuzyk said that SAC doesn't plan to make a presentation to Parrott. "We want to maximize the involvement of individual students, to give them a chance to have their questions answered and their concerns addressed," he said.



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Probable areas of questioning, Tuzyk said, should include the Plan's so-called 'grandfather clause', and the effect it will have on people currently receiving student aid. Parrott may be asked, too, if the program will be ready by next September, he added. Finalization of the plan's details has been postponed to April from an original January target date.

U of T Students Get Rebates On Late Tuition

Students who paid late tuition fee fines last year at the University of Toronto because of the late receipt of provincial aid cheques may be entitled to a reimbursement.

A university ombusman report released October 31, revealed that the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities accelerated payments to the province's universities last year when it became evident that processing of aid applications was behind schedule.

But the U of T decided to let late fines stand because of the difficulty of deciding which of 13,000 students on the aid plan were eligible for rebates. The university also decided against deferring fee payment, as the ministry suggested at the time.

U of T president John Evans, who agree November 17 to grant rebates, said he was unaware of the $1.5 million in accelerated payments from the ministry until the ombusman's report was released.

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More Response Needed

With well over half the present ECSU administration's term of office completed, perhaps it is time to assess their performance to date, and hope that it is not too late to effect some change towards making this government more responsive to the needs of their constituents — the students of Erindale College.

So far this year there is little evidence of any student government at all at Erindale. The Mowat administration has been like a person with a weak pulse, unconscious and alive only in a purely technical sense to the people that surround him. All we know is there is a government located somewhere on residence road, but have seen little in the way of services or social activities originating from there, let alone hearing of stands being taken on the issues of the day facing students.

The better part of providing services to Erindale seems to have been left up to SAC. So far they now show a free film each week on campus. They have shouldered a large part of the responsibilities of the Infodesk in the Meeting Place and flipped the bill for a number of the bands that have appeared in the pub. Added to these contributions for Erindale students is SAC's continuing support of this newspaper and Radio Erindale with funding through advertising.

On political issues that involve education, such as the new student aid program of the Ontario government, SAC has represented Erindale students well. Even on the campus level SAC has recently taken the time to formulate a policy on the New New program, something we still await from ESCU.

A rather sad state of affairs, considering that on a referendum ballot taken at the last election, well over 70 per cent of those who voted — a larger margin then those who voted for Mowat ticket — expressed the opinion that ECSU should receive a larger share of the incidental Erindale students pay.

You may recall that the election of the Mowat ticket last March was in part reaction to attempts by the former administration to centralize the student government into a highly bureaucratic operation made evident by their moves to have been passed through an incorporation document that made no allowances for general student participation. The attitude seemed to prevail amongst the members of that administration that matters of importance, those dealing with money, were better handled by a few people only. To allow opposition through any democratic process involving more than nine people would only create chaos at best.

Mowat on the other hand was preaching responsive Government. He promised if elected, he would produce a constitution to back his claim up. Unfortunately to date his government has been less responsive than any previous. Decisions are made by six people on the executive, all but one of them elected on the Mowat ticket. No attempt has been made to fill the three other executive positions that remain vacant. ECSU has also choosen to ignore the option of filling out a full council called for by the constitution to meet once a year in similar fashion, if not the same, to the token annual meetings that the law requires most corporations to have for their shareholders.

At least Mowatat's predecessors gave the impression of responsiveness to a larger group of students by having this body elected, even though they were never given a final say on anything.

What ECSU has done recently, however is produce more bylaws. These admittedly proposed broader participation by a larger number of students through a commission structure. But the problem remains, that if they should be passed at the end of February, as hoped this only leaves this administration a month to institute them. And the major question here of course is who is going to fill these positions and have been proposed considering that little or no attempt has been made to interest students outside Mowat's circle of followers since his election almost one year ago.

It should be made apparent that there is little hope of succeeding in transforming a government from a virtual despotic rule to a largely democratic one in the space of one month, with people who have even less experience. In fact even if this administration were to try and get some more students interested in ECSU now, there is some doubt whether they would meet with any great success this late in the year.

Makes one wonder who will be around in March to run for the executive next March. Inevitably, it seems that, this administration has again missed the boat in preparing ECSU to become a truly responsive organization by means of wider representation. We face yet another year of few new ideas and intiatives, and if history is any indicator, even fewer services and activities undertaken by our own government.

Enrolment Down in Ontario Universities

By T.K. Sawyer

Full-time enrolment has increased at Ontario's 22 colleges of applied arts and technology and dropped slightly at the province's unviersities, according to figures released by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities in mid-December.

Enrolment should have increased six per cent at the universities this year, according to Statistics Canada. Instead, it has dropped as much as nine per cent. The areas hardest hit by the decrease are the faculties of education and second and third-year arts and sciences courses.

Registrars at post-secondary institutions across the province have suggested that decreases in university enrolment averaging almost three per cent provincially indicate that studends are more career-oriented.

"It's fairly obvious that our graduates obtain jobs more readily than university graduates," said Patricia Stoll, registrar at Seneca College. "It's also easier given the economic situation to go to school than try and get a job, and you might as well try and get more credentials on your back at the same time."

Enrolment at the University of Toronto has decreased by more than 900 students. The dropping of two programs, food sciences and dental hygiene, and a decrease in students at the faculty of education accounts for most of the decrease.

There has also been a reduction in the number of students returning to undergraduate programs. "I'm amazed that in law a significant number didn't return," said U of T President John Evans.

The drop will hurt the university financially, Evans said. By the end of the schoolyear, the university could have a deficit of $500,000 to $1 million dollars. University officials have asked each division to trim its budget.

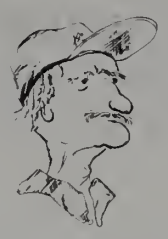
Other campuses across the province are facing similar enrolment problems. York University found it had 800 fewer students this fall. York will therefore have to cut $1.5 million, according to the University's president, Ian MacDonald. "We're cutting travel, hospitality, staff overtime and part-time staff," MacDonald said

Hardest-hit by declining enrolment is the University of Windsor, where full-time enrolment is down by almost 10 per cent. 'I would tend to think the decreases are the result of a more job-oriented approach," said Frank Smith, registrar at the University of Windsor. "The career colleges are getting more Grade 13 applicants, which is sort of unusual because that was not what they were intended to do."

Western has lost more than 450 students from second-, third-, and fourth-year programs. "I don't know the reason. They could just be taking a year off, they may have a job, or they may want to reassess their occupational goal," said D.A. Chambers, UWO's registrar.

"The unemployment rate has to have an impact. This is the first time I can remember a decline in enrolment," he added.

Who is this guy?



By John Challis

Both Mr. Challis and Mr. Trapper Chall were at press time still incapacitated by their excesses on New Year's Eve. In their stead, is arch nemesis Gertrude Metatarsal, a staunch member of the I.O.D.E. from the Parry Sound District.

Hello and greetings to the immoral south. The sad duty has befallen me to issue forth of a lecture on the evils of intemperance. I had sorely hoped that the horrid habits of that messenger of Hell, Trapper Chall, would not find fruitful ground among the young members of Erindale College.

But now I discover that your fine reporter, and a true gentleman, John Challis, has caught that infectious ailment, alcohol, from continued contact with the Trapper. The two of them made most sorry examples of themselves on the Eve of the New Year. I have learned from this that the Demon Rum always seeks out the weakest and most innocent for its victims. Beware! It will trap you even though you pride your youth and vigour.

I suppose the most effective way I can bring this terrifying lesson to you is to recount the debauching of the will and health of your reporter Mr. Challis. Dear Lord give me strength, for it is not the sort of thing one likes to recount to anyone!

It began really in the afternoon of New Year's Eve. Every year, the Dunchurch I.O.D.E. likes to ring in the New Year on the town bell in front of town hall. It has become quite a gala event in our little town. In fact we take the liberty to have quite a little party beforehand. Supper is served, after which we pledge our alliegance to the queen, and then the flag is raised. It is a moving moment, but the highlight is still several hours off. Until midnight comes, we sit and drink Mrs. Hidesmith's special iced tea and fruit juice punch, telling stories about the wonderful things which have happened to us over the past year.

This year, our excitement was greater than usual, and our celebrations began earlier as well. For the spectre which always has threatened to spoil our New Year's celebrations - Trapper Chall - was not to be in our midst. As you may have heard, he has moved to the town of Chiswick. In years past, he and the gang of hoodlums who flock to him the way flies flock to – well, they flock to him, and they took a cruel delight in spending the new year's eve in noisy revelling and have as often as not thrown a distracting and ugly air over our solemn ceremony.

This year, though, we were without the fear of his interference. He was miles away, in a town where he would likely be more welcome anyway. The ladies and I were overjoyed. We spent the entire afternoon busily preparing for the night's festivities. There was some fear that Trapper's notorious friend Alvin Stote might be out on a binge without companionship, but he has a good and powerful wife, and we were assured by her that he would spend the evening washing the fruit cellar.

All was not to remain as peaceful as it was, though. The hour was nearing for us to engage in the ringing in of the New Year. We were gathered around the town bell, singing 'Auld Ang Syne', when the night air was disrupted, yea, invaded, by a voice which sounded disturbingly like that of the Trapper. A sickening pull worked through my heart, but I dismissed it.

He seemed to be shouting something about Mix. "Mix! Need more mix!" the voice chanted. A second voice answered out of the dark that it was "coming up". We were only a few moments away from midnight, or else we would have guessed the significance of the drunken shouting. But the excitement of the moment had caught us up too much. The seconds were ticking away, and we were praying that this would be the first New Year's in which Trapper Chall would not play a part. Mrs. Hidesmith, who had been counting down the seconds, triumphantly shouted out "Happy New Year!"

Suddenly, there was a horrendous roar from above and behind us. We turned around just in time to see a three foot spout of water pouring down upon us from the town water tower. It was terrifying. I was so flustered that I can barely remember anything more than the air filling with screams and flailing arms amid a sheet of water that seemed never ending. It was a wonder the weather was fair, or we should all have been frozen to death on the spot. Poor Mrs. Spindle, who has such a frail constitution, may not see the coming of the spring as it is!

Eventually, the torrent from the tower subsided, and we could discover what had burst it. High above us, a figure hung precariously to the ladder leading up the tower, with something that looked like a hand-drill in one hand.

"Say when!" the figure shouted down.

On the ground, the figure of Trapper Chall lay prostrate under the town bell, giggling hysterically, an emoty glass held ridiculously up into the air. And the man holding the drill? The man who had vandalized the town's only water tower? None other than your Medium II reporter, John Challis, reeling with drink! Not a drop of water had soiled him, to add insult to our horrid injury - somehow he had managed to keep away from the flood atop his perch.

This was not the end of our travails, however. We were inside the town hall, trying to dry ourselves off, when the two burst inside, and... I can't go on. It is too much for my nervous condition. But I must. This is a holy task I have put myself upon. Steel yourself, gentle students, this is for your own salvation.

We were mortified. Drenched to the bone, our skirts were clinging to us in the most undecorous of manners. The Devil's brew seemed to be fairly bursting from their pores. They moved towards us, a cloud of stench following them around.

"New Year's kisses from everyone!" your Mr. Challis bellowed out. Poor Mrs. Hidesmith dropped into a dead faint. Trapper Chall came straight for me, and before I could ward the animal off, he had planted his sodden lips on my face and clutched my – he

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Reaction

GREEN PAPER LACKS CONSISTENCY

By John Challis

The following is an interpretation of the federal Green Paper on Amateur Sport produced last autumn. The opinions expressed may not necessarily be consistent with the intentions of the government in the preparation of the paper.

Over the past decade, Canadians have been rudely awakened to the fact that we are one of the laziest nations in the planet. We have been assaulted with horror stories such as the average Canadian being physically up to 15 years older than Swedes of the same actual age, consuming more fatty foods per capita than any other nation, being more prone to heart problems and other ailments related to physical condition than most other countries.

Such revelations would rightly wound the ego of any people, but for a nation which prides itself in its proximity to the wilderness, its pioneer tenacity and toughness, this has been a blow the force of which has been strong enough to even bring the government to action. It might even be suggested that the election of a springtly and healthy young Pierre Trudeau for prime minister in 1968 was in part a reaction to Canada's growing reputation as the flabby nation.

In March of 1970 the federal Department of Health and Welfare issued its first ever statement of policy concerning amateur sport. In May 1971 the ministry issued another statement of policy, backing it up with the formation of that guilt-breeding propaganda machine, Sport Participation Canada, better known as Particip-Action.

In the nearly seven years since that moment, the Fitness and Amateur Sport Branch of the Department of Health and Welfare has increased its spending by over 300 per cent. That does not include the $12 million budgeted for the 1978 Commonwealth Games.

This flurry of activity has apparently brought about some success on the national level. In the 1976 Olympic Games, Canada placed tenth over-all the Fitness and Amateur Sport Branch has proudly laid all claim to this 'entieth place in previous ment of Iona Campagnolo to the new portfolio of Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport, and the subsequent production of the Green Paper, "Toward a National Policy on Amateur Sport," last October. The paper itself justifies this speculation.

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However, the finish in Montreal still did not live up to expectations. Not one gold medal was won by Canadian athletes — not much of a surprise, really, since Canadians have characteristically shown little desire to be first in anything. But the disappointment was sharpened by the fact that Canada became the first country hosting the Olympics ever to be deprived of a gold.

It was this mediocre performance, particularly when hopes were so high, which more than likely helped prompt the appoint-

Amateur sport on the local or regional level is given scant and ambiguous coverage. Even on the national level, there is much generalisation regarding the government's policy. When international competition is implied, however, the enthusiasm immediately picks up and quite specific recommendations are forwarded.

For example, funding to support individual athletes was proposed to be aimed only at athletes "seeking to do well internationally." The paper also proposes the expansion.

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"the Green Paper has aimed towards the elite in amateur sport."

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of international competition. While they assume that local sport is bound to expand, they allocate any support or aid to national research and training centres.

It could well be argued that these motives stem from the government's constitutional mandate to engage itself only in amateur sport on the national and international level. However, the Branch sees "mass participation" and equal opportunity for all Canadians as one of two of its major goals. Having made this token commitment, the Green Paper then relegates the responsibility for this goal to the provinces and municipal governments.

The second goal, excellence, draws much more of the attention of the study. The maintenance of a winning national athletic team, the prestige of having gold medal athletes in international competition is perceived as being the only important goal for the government to aim at. In fact, it should only be an offshoot of a program which aims at improving the physical fitness of every Canadian, and affording him or her the opportunity to indulge in amateur sports.

The paper recognizes very briefly this need. In referring to the northern and remote regions, it remarks that there "must be equal opportunities (for all Canadians) for training, access to training facilities, and where possible staging of events and competitions." These noble intentions are quickly sloughed onto the shoulders of the provincial governments, except for the Yukon and Northwest Territories, which, unfortunately for the Amateur Sport Branch, fall under federal jurisdiction. Equality of opportunity, apparently, is not a concern of the federal government.

Indeed, if, as the paper suggests, there should be "national" team training camps and centres, then the concept of equal opportunity for all Canadians has been compromised. The proposed centres and camps would necessarily be located in areas of high population density, high monetary potential and easy access to training facilities. The northern and remote areas are effectively precluded from participation under this system.

In this respect, then, the Green Paper has aimed itself towards the elite in amateur sport. It is the opinion at least of this reporter that such an approach is wrong. Canada can still be a flabby nation even though it has one hundred super-stars in sports.

A number of inconsistencies crop up between objectives and proposed solutions through the rest of Campagnolo's paper. The Fitness and Amateur Sport Branch feels that it must keep the government's involvement in amateur sport to a minimum. In addition the need for "the unification of sport in Canada" through "some co-ordinating system...linking all aspects of amateur sport together" is specified as an important area for future discussion.

These two goals are contradicted by Campagnolo's plans for the administration of amateur sport in Canada. If all the objectives of the Green Paper are met, amateur sport will have a cumbersome, decentralized bureaucracy to match any operation associated with the government. As near as could be counted, the paper suggests the creation or expansion of no less than 22 councils, offices, committees and so on. This figure includes the creation of promotional and educational programmes and training and competitive facilities, whose numbers have not been specified.

The creation of facilities where sports can be participated in, as well as training gymnasiums, is an admirable intention. Unfortunately, this is only a minor part of the overall expansion plans as outlined in the Green Paper. By far the majority of the new or expanded organizations will concentrate on the administrative end of the business: coaching training, research facilities, organs for promotion (which could as easily be incorporated into ParticipAction), sport governing bodies, and centres to govern sport governing bodies. When one considers that this expansion has been proposed after the statements that Canadian athletes and sport organizations fear too much government intervention, and that amateur sports in Canada need some form of unifying structure, the contradictions become obvious.

In a few places through the Green Paper, suggestions are made which would tighten the administrative end of amateur sports. Placing all of Canada's 88 sport governing bodies under the single roof of the National Sport and Recreation Office is a start in this dissection. It remains, though, for the Fitness and Amateur Branch to realize its duties and limitations and control its enthusiasm for expansion in all directions.

Several areas in the Green Paper are deserving of much more consideration. One, the encouragement of mass participation has already been covered here. Another is the concern of the northern and remote regions. Although the study promises that their "immediate and increasing needs in sport will be given the highest priority by the federal," the tiny four-paragraph discussion of sports in the northern and remote regions is not very encouraging. In fact, the federal government seems ready to ignore any obligations in the area, stating that "it should be the responsibility of the provincial governments to encourage such opportunities within their territorial jurisdictions."

A third consideration touching more closely to home is that of intercollegiate sport. Asserting that universities have the wherewithal to produce sports facilities and good athletes, the Green Paper feels that the only aid which Canadian universities might need will be the subsidizing of some coaches' salary.

It is surprising that while the national level of competition is emphasized in all other sports, national intercollegiate competition is not given any notice. Canadian college football has improved over the past few years to the point where more national competition would be highly valuable as would extra coverage and promotion. Intercollegiate hockey was declined in quality for lack of the same kind of attention. Assistance and encouragement from the federal government would be welcome across the country, for the impetus for such activities has not come from anywhere else.

The Green Paper as it stands does not present a very appropriate policy for amateur sport. It is too laudatory of former accomplishments in its tone. Rather than emphasizing the improvement of our performance in international competition and the creation of a huge bureaucracy, the Fitness and Amateur Sport Branch should be concentrating on the ignored goal of mass participation, bringing the entire country into a better state of health.

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clutched me in a region that only I and my physician have looked upon. It makes the blood rush to my cheeks even now to think about it.

Mr. Challis promptly — when I stop to think of what he once was before that villain Trapper Chall met up with him, or what he might have become, it breaks my heart — he promptly vomited into Mrs. Hidesmith's lap, who had just come out of her faint long enough to perceive what was happening to her, only to collapse back with a moan of despair.

As quickly as the inebriated barbarians had descended upon us, they disappeared into the night, singing some disgusting song about George Drew and three geese.

Once our composure had been regained, the ladies and I immediately set out to find the heinous friends and bring their just reward to them. Mr. Challis may recover enough by next week to write a few words. I hope I may not have shocked the reader too much, but it is a harsh reminder to those of you who may some day stare the temptation of John Barleycorn in the eye.

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Maybe '77 wasn't so bad after all

By Stu Medlock

It's hard to believe but 1978 has made its appearance and we're all still alive and kicking (some less than others). However, 1977 can't be left behind without some sort of testimonial to the many ups and downs of the '77 athletic season.

TEAM OF THE YEAR: This was a tie between the Lacrosse Warriors and the Hustler's field hockey team. Both teams played the entire season on foreign (St. George) turf and still managed to come away with their respective titles, winning it all with unblemished records.

COMEBACK TEAM: This year's (77-78) version of the Erindale Hockey Warriors is off to a fast start which was a vast improvement over their inconsistent showing last winter. Bets are they'll go long way this year.

Super Basketball Series

BEST SERIES OF THE YEAR: Although it was an intramural affair, the basketball title fought betwee the Latvians and the Purple Aardvarks last February proved most dramatic. In each game of the best two out of three series, the win came by a one point difference and the last two games required overtime to decide the contests. By the way, the Latvians won.

MOST OVERRATED TEAM: Any team that participated in Super Series '78. In this tournament involving NHL, Soviet and Czechoslovkian teams, all that the players saw were dollar signs and all that the fans saw were a few poorly contested pick-up games.

SURPRISE TEAM OF THE YEAR: It had to be Erindale's field hockey team. Although the players will certainly have you believe that they've always been number one, I'm certain the downtown teams are still shaking their heads after the Hustler's powerful showing. In the category of my most exciting sports moment of 1977, watching their title victory over Phys. Ed had to rate right at the top.

Reid A Superstar

"JUST AN ORDINARY SUPERSTAR" AWARD: This was my easiest pick. Just watching Doug Reid play basketball is proof of how he loves the game. His aggressiveness and abundance of talent have proved for Erindale a highly competitive team which was great to see.

MOST COLORFUL ATHLETE: Although he has now graduated, Joe Spagnolo has provided Erindale spectators with fine display of basketball skill. I'm sure many opposition guards over the last few years have been left standing in their tracks because of Joe's great ball control and stealing ability. His fine outside shot also made him one of Erindale's most prolific scorers. There were many athletes I considered in this category and I shouldn't fail to mention Don Hill of the Warrior's football team or Dave Fox of the Erindale varsity basketball team who would also rate highly.

ERINDALE'S UNSUNG HEROES: This went to the Erindale Rowing team and its coach, Robin Wight. Their dedication provided Erindale and U of T with a strong entry at the intercollegiate level. Every morning and weekend during the fall these guys and gals proved that fish weren't the only things that live in water.

"GERITOL BEFORE 30" AWARD: This award goes to those who may go gray before their time. Susan Gillespie, who besides taking six (now seven) courses, is also ECARA president, a U of T athletic council member, plays interfaculty basketball and intramurals, and holds down a part-time job. I'm tired just writing it all down.

Blues A Disappointment

DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH: Despite an 0-6 record, the Football Warriors did show some talent in the form of Don Hill at quarterback, receiver-punter Ray Easterbrooke and CLB Pete Perkavic.

DISAPPOINTMENT OF THE YEAR: The Varsity Blues football team seems to be making an annual tradition of eating Golden Hawk (similar to crow I understand).

"SNATCHING DEFEAT FROM THE JAWS OF VICTORY" AWARD: Many teams qualify for this one but the choke that stood out in my mind was the Leaf's loss to Philly in last year's quarter final.

JOKE OF THE YEAR: In a tribute to international hockey, the Mississauga Golden Arrows played the Soviet first division Tractor team at that reknowned ice palace, Port Credit Memorial Arena. If you're not familiar with the Golden Arrows you're one of the lucky ones. Tractor won the game 11-4 which indicates that they slept through the game as did the fans.

LOOK FORWARD TO: The 78-79 Basketball Warriors who are doing a rebuilding job this year and have discovered some fine, but still developing, new talent.

Dallas Will Win

PREDICTIONS FOR '78: The hockey Blues will take the OUAA and CIAU titles handily. The hockey Hustlers and Warriors will at least be finalists in their respective leagues. Erindale's lacrosse team will suggest to the Interfaculty league that another cup beside the Dafoe be created so that some other team can win something too.

Dallas will win the Super Bowl.

"Team of the year", according to Medlock. The fine play of the Lacrosse Warriors and the Field Hockey Hustlers earned them this distinction.

Instruction Series Begins

By Stu Medlock

E.C.A.R.A.'s instruction series continues during the spring term with a new set of courses designed to increase your interest and ability in any of several recreational areas. Some of these courses are offered for free and others require a nominal fee (between $5 and $20) for the durat n of the term in most cases.

Most interesting and immediate, considering the season, is the cross country ski course offered at the Erindale Campus. Both the theoretical and practical aspects are taught and some skis and boots can be borrowed from the Athletic department for this course. The classes start Tuesday, January 10 for all levels of ability at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2074, South Building. The first outdoor lesson begins January 13 or 14, weather permitting.

Erindale's Karate Club has begun its Spring d.ive for members and its Spring instruction lessons. These lessons have begun and are run in association with the Toronto Academy of Karate-Do. The membership is $20 and includes a package of lessons running for eight to 10 weeks with two lessons a week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 8 p.m. The Karate Club was always maintained a high reputation because of the personal atmosphere in the instructional classes.

Other activities include a disco dance class starting Wednesday, January 11 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., archery on Monday and Wednesday at noon and ladies fitness classes on Monday and Wednesday at noon or 1 p.m.

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Basketball Warriors lose close overtime battle

By Stu Medlock

After a fast start this season, the Interfac Warriors basketball team has run into a string of frustrating setbacks as they have dropped four of their last five contests, the latest being a 77-69 loss to Knox College.

The frustration in this case must have been acute as the Warriors fought back from an eight point deficit in the fourth quarter to force the game into overtime.

However, the Warriors came out flat at the start of the five minute overtime missing their first two scoring chances. This, combined with some strong work on the boards, allowed Knox to build up an eight point lead again very quickly which they held for the last two minutes of the game.

The overtime period, however, did nothing but prove anticlimactic after a very finely played regulation game. Surprisingly enough, the Christmas layoff certainly didn't seem to have affected the quality of play and the fact that both teams were out on the floor more than a half hour before the game showed that both teams were anxious to get the win.

During the first half both teams were content to play a ball control game allowing the defences plenty of time to set up. This quickly changed after guards Bernie Angelow for the Warriors and Van Cook for Knox each scored quick baskets due to strong outside shooting. Both of their strengths with the outside shot caused the defences to force them further outside which opened up the middle as a result.

This turned out to be very advantageous for Erindale throughout the game. Forwards Ray Sruibiscus and Ed Punkris managed to find this gap many times during the game and cashed in heavily.

Knox, on the other hand, found that their strength lay under the hoop and they dominated the boards throughout the match. The trend having been set, with Erindale flooding the top of the key and Knox the bottom, the lead switched hands numerous times before the end of the first half with Knox on top 33-30.

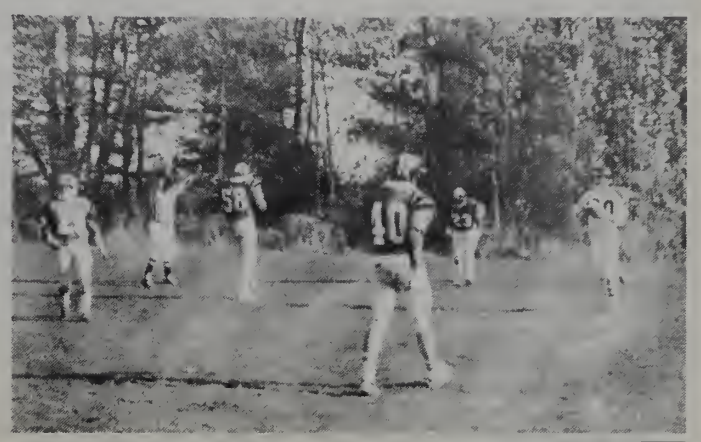
The second half turned out to be quite a freewheeling affair as Erindale opened with a very aggressive defence, hoping to confuse the Knox game plan. It might be said that the press which the Warriors employed was too aggressive as the visitors found that the press opened up other opportunities for them. It seemed that while a great deal of attention was paid to the offensive players around the ball the wings were allowed to penetrate deeply into the Erindale zone without coverage. This caused Knox to convert many long passes into quick baskets.

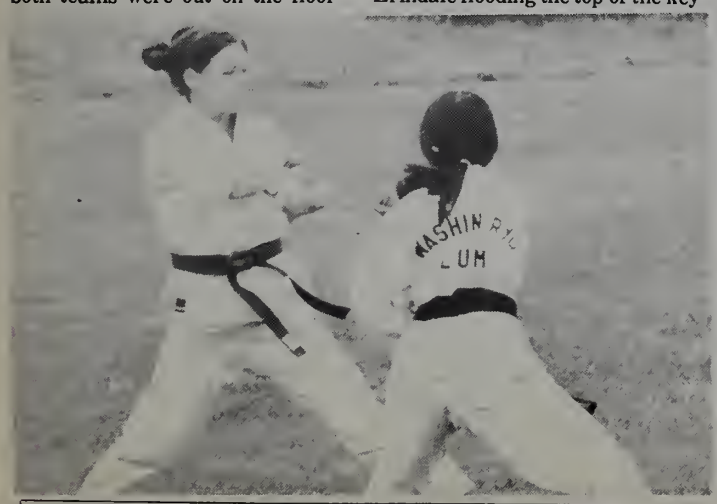
The failure of Erindale's press also caused Knox to get fired up on defence which resulted in numerous turnovers through steals and forced passes. This helped to build a 10 pointKnox lead at the mid way point of the second half.

It was only after Erindale went back to the control game that the Warriors were able to keep up, and, aided by a terrific shooting display by Sruibiscus in the second half, the Warriors managed to tie up the game with a minute left in regulation, forcing the overtime.

For Erindale, Sruibiscus led all scorers with 24 points and 16 of those int he second half. Ed Punkis had 12 and Angelow 11 points for the Warriors. Van Cook, with good outside range and the ability to turn his steals into quick baskets led Knox with 23 points while Wolcki added 18 and Allevato 17 points for the visitors.

Erindale's next game is this Monday at 7:30 p.m. here at the College.





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Drawing the Line with Force

By ROMAN MUETZ

In this dismal age of disco and Stevie Wonder it is refreshing to hear a band that carries on the late sixties traditional hard rock sound.

Aerosmith continues to play with the same determined energy which was so evident in bands from the last decade such as Free and The Amboy Dukes. Their biggest influence has to be the pre "Houses Of The Holy" Led Zeppelin; the thickly-layered guitar chording and high-pitched vocals of Steve Tyler overpower the listener in a very similar manner. When Jimmy Page's band achieved commercial success, however, their music suffered considerably as hard rock was shelved in favor of overlengthy, experimental pieces. **Draw The Line** is a success because Aerosmith knows its limitations and stays well within bounds of their proven formulas.

The title track tells us what we can expect for the course of the entire album. It is an almost total succession of power riffs which, like the Rolling Stones' **Let It Bleed** must be listened to at an ear-piercing level to gain the complete effect. The frenzy which occurs during this cut is very reminiscent to that of the classic **In Rock** album by Deep Purple. Aerosmith does not reach out and try to broaden their following; they play the most rhythmical heavy rock in the business, not the middle-of-the-road schlock which makes Fleetwood Mac so widely accepted.

Jack Douglas' production is the key to **Draw The Line**'s potency. He realizes that the band's instrumentals are their strong point, and not their vocals. **I Wanna Know Why** is the best example of his superb technique as the singing is mixed well below the scathing guitar work; the resulting low-key harmonies are again very comparable to those of the sixties' Stones.

Aerosmith sets the standard for all "second-rate Toronto bar-bands" to follow.

Aerosmith is enjoyable primarily because of their all-stops-removed rock and roll sound. When they let up for a minute, such as on **Critical Mass** they fall flat on their faces. On this track they lower their wall of sound and concentrate on more technical instrumentation and vocals. The resulting catastrophe is very similar to Kiss singing **Beth**.

These weak lapses, however, are few and far between.

There is no doubt that **Draw The Line** will be played by second-rate Toronto bands for the rest of the year as Aerosmith has always set the standard for bar-room rock. The fact that this group has a dominant male following is predictable since women have never appreciated the finer things in life; beer, hockey, and old-fashioned heavy metal thunder as typified by Aerosmith.

Entertainment Update

By ROMAN MUETZ and G.R. WALKER

During the winter break, a multitude of events and non-events occurred in the entertainment world. Here are just a few of the highlights from some of the world's major centres.

(Toronto) December saw the preview of what was by far the year's best movie. "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" is a suspenseful science-fiction thriller, the special effects within making the year's earlier smash, "Star Wars", seem like a production of Sheridan College. **Richard Dreyfuss** is superb as usual, with a very believable performance in a most difficult role.

(Atlanta) The notorious punk rock band, **The Sex Pistols**, finally set foot on the continent after a lengthy battle for visas because of their criminal records back in England.

(Geneva) Silent film star **Charlie Chaplin** died at the age of 88. An autopsy later revealed that drugs were not the cause of death.

(Tampa) **Comedian** Richard Pryor was arrested for firing a number of shots at his wife and a few friends at a New Year's Eve bash. The incident apparently occurred when many of the guests left a room in which Pryor was performing a segment of his nightclub act.

(New York) "Exorcist" actress **Linda Blair** was arrested because of her involvement in one of the largest drug rings in North America. Apparently Miss Blair resisted arrest quite fiercely, spewing a long trail of green vomit at the officers.

(New York) **David Bowie**, after typically avoiding press coverage for as long as he possible could, consented to brief interviews with some leading reporters. Bowie's main purpose was to refute circulating gossip that he was no longer interested, and had put little effort into his past two albums, "Low" and "Heroes". Bowie claims that this rumor was wholly false, but that he no longer had any interest in the Ziggy Stardust rock-hype that had made him the most popular and idolized rock and roller of the early 1970's.

Bowie said of those times, "I was surrounded with people who indulged my ego, who treated me as Ziggy Stardust or one of my other characters, never realizing that David Jones might be behind it. You come to think the only defence is to believe in yourself. The real defence is to withdraw from the assembly line."

Retiring from that "assembly line", Bowie settled in Berlin and took up composing with Brian Eno. Under this influence he no longer "fell into the trap of referring back to rock all the time. I was making a new musical language for my new life".

"Heroes", he said, "is a compassionate song, about two kids having an affair in Berlin. They meet 'at the wall under a gun turret' every day."

(London) **The Kinks** new 45, "Father Christmas", is about Santa getting beat up by a bunch of kids who want money, not "toys for the little rich boys".

Broken Wind: Canadian Zephyr

By Gaff Newton

Canada has a talent for producing big music personalities in the country music scene. Hank Snow, Conway Twitty, the list could go on for a number of names more.

RCA has tried to set another name on that list with the introduction of Canadian Zephyr, an apparently Toronto-based group, who have come up with an album entitled "A Country Mile Better". After listening to the record, the question might well be, A Country Mile Better than what?

To be fair, though, for a group that has emerged seemingly from total obscurity (this highly informed connoiseur certainly didn't recognize any of the names in the group) they are bad, but they're not that bad. In fact, they seem to have a good deal of potential going for them, particularly in their ability to compose. They have caught the country style quite well. Since noone seldom asks anything more of country music than it sound like country, these gentlemen have as good a chance as anybody.

Unfortunately, the best of the two songwriters, John Howard, only has three of his own pieces on the eleven tune album. His lyrics take an interesting turn, giving a unique twist to this essentially American music form. "Can't take the blues" is a mildly ironic piece singing the blues because he's tired of listening to the blues. "A Thousand Miles North of Nashville" is a better tune. Howard plays piano in a honky-tonk style, and the melody suits the percussive type of sound produced by the piano. The song itself is about the frustration of a C&W singer playing small-town Canadian bars, and pining for the glory and excitement of the Nashville scene. "Cabbagetown Prophet" is an interesting bit about a bum in downtown Toronto who becomes something more than a bum.

John Hayman, the other composer on the album, is fairly good in his own respect, but a little bit less inventive than his partner.

With maturity, and a little more skill on their instruments, Canadian Zephyr could gell into an interesting group. But they do need development, time to build the talent that would enable them to pick up the pace of a few of the tunes and make them move a little more.

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Fri. Jan. 13 Scarborough College Rm. H216
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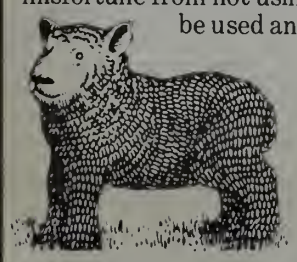
Cinema Gratis

Julius Schmid would like to give you some straight talk about condoms, rubbers, sheaths, safes, French letters, storkstoppers.

All of the above are other names for prophylactics. One of the oldest and most effective means of birth control known and the most popular form used by males. Apart from birth control, use of the prophylactic is the only method officially recognized and accepted as an aid in the prevention of transmission of venereal disease.

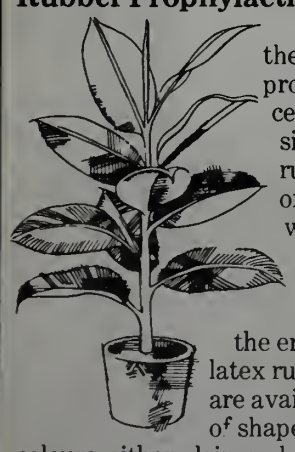
Skin Prophylactics.

Skin prophylactics made from the membranes of lambs were introduced in England as early as the eighteenth century. Colloquially known as "armour"; used by Cassanova, and mentioned in classic literature by Richard Boswell in his "London Journal" (where we read of his misfortune from not using one), they continue to be used and increase in popularity to this very day.



Because they are made from natural membranes, "skins" are just about the best conductors of body warmth money can buy and therefore their effect on sensation and feeling is almost insignificant.

Rubber Prophylactics



The development of the latex rubber process in the twentieth century made it possible to produce strong rubber prophylactics of exquisite thinness, with an elastic ring at the open end to keep the prophylactic from slipping off the erect penis. Now these latex rubber prophylactics are available in a variety of shapes and colours, either plain-ended, or tipped with a "teat" or "reservoir end" to receive and hold ejaculated semen.

Lubrication

And thanks to modern chemistry, several new non-reactive lubricants have been developed so that prophylactics are available in either non-lubricated or lubricated forms. The lubricated form is generally regarded as providing improved sensitivity, as is, incidentally, the NuForm® Sensi-Shape. For your added convenience, all prophylactics are pre-rolled and ready-to-use.

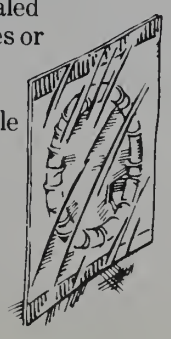
Some Helpful Hints

The effectiveness of a prophylactic, whether for birth control or to help prevent venereal disease, is dependent in large measure upon the way in which it is used and disposed of. Here are a few simple suggestions that you may find helpful.

Packaging

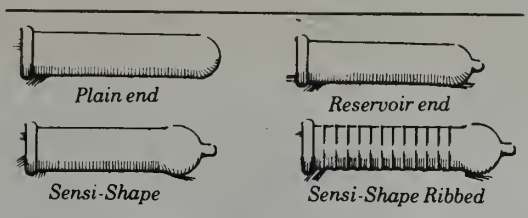
First of all, there's the matter of packaging.

Skin prophylactics are now packaged premoistened in sealed aluminum foil pouches to keep them fresh, dependable and ready for use. Latex rubber prophylactics are usually packaged in sealed plasticized paper pouches or aluminum foil.



All of these prophylactics, at least those marketed by reputable firms, are tested electronically and by other methods to make sure they are free of defects. Prophylactics are handled very carefully during the packaging operation to make sure they are not damaged in any way.

Prophylactic Shapes



Storage and Handling

It is equally important that you store and handle them carefully after you buy them, if you expect best results and dependability. For example, don't carry them around in your wallet in your back pocket and sit on them from time to time. This can damage them and make them worthless. Next is the matter of opening the package. It's best to tear the paper or foil along one edge so that the simple act of tearing doesn't cause a pinhole. And of course, one should be particularly careful of sharp fingernails whenever handling the prophylactic.

Putting Them On

The condom, or prophylactic, should be put on before there is any contact between the penis and the vaginal area. This is important, as it is possible for small amounts of semen to escape from the penis even before orgasm.

Unroll the prophylactic gently onto the erect penis, leaving about a half of an inch projecting beyond the tip of the penis to receive the male fluid (semen). This is more easily judged with those prophylactics that have a reservoir end. The space left at the end or the reservoir, should be squeezed while unrolling, so that air is not trapped in the closed end.

As mentioned earlier, you may wish to apply a suitable lubricant either to the vaginal entrance or to the outside surface of the prophylactic, or both, to make entry easier and to lessen any risk of the prophylactic tearing.

Taking Them Off

When sexual relations are completed, withdraw the penis while the erection is still present, holding the rim of the prophylactic until withdrawal is complete, so as to stop any escape of semen from the prophylactic as well as to stop it from slipping off. Remove the prophylactic and, as an added precaution, use soap and water to wash the hands, penis and surrounding area and also the vaginal area to help destroy any traces of sperm or germs.

And now for a commercial.

As you've read this far you're probably asking yourself who makes the most popular brands of prophylactics in Canada?

The answer to that is Julius Schmid. And we'd like to take this opportunity to introduce you to six of the best brands of prophylactics that money can buy. They're all made by Julius Schmid. They're all electronically tested to assure dependability and quality. And you can only buy them in drug stores.

RAMSES *Regular (Non-Lubricated) & Sensitol (Lubricated).* A tissue thin rubber sheath of amazing strength. Smooth as silk, light as gossamer, almost imperceptible in use. Rolled, ready-to-use.

FOUREX *"Non-Slip" Skins*–distinctly different from rubber, these natural membranes from the lamb are specially processed to retain their fine natural texture, softness and durability. Lubricated and rolled for added convenience.

SHEIK *Sensi-Shape (Lubricated) & Regular (Non-Lubricated).* The popular priced, high quality reservoir end rubber prophylactic. Rolled, ready-to-use.

NuForm *Sensi-Shape (Lubricated) & Sensi-Shape (Non-Lubricated).* The "better for both" new, scientifically developed shape that provides greater sensitivity and more feeling for both partners. Comes in "passionate pink." Rolled, ready-to-use.

EXCITA Gently ribbed and sensi-shaped to provide "extra pleasure for both partners." Sensitol Lubricated for added sensitivity. Also in "passionate pink." Rolled, ready-to-use.

Fiesta Reservoir end prophylactics in an assortment of colours. Sensitol lubricated for added sensitivity. Rolled, ready-to-use.

We wrote the book on prophylactics. If you would like to read it and get some free samples of what we've been talking about, fill in the coupon below and we'll send you everything in "a genuine plain brown envelope."

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Had a Happy New Year?

Well, hardly. After all, how can we when our Christmas was just slightly less than abysmal. There we were on Christmas eve, huddled around the fireplace in anticipation of thousands of Supplementary By-Law submissions, names for the Yet-Unnamed Erindale Formal, contributions to the Erindale Yearbook, and huge sums of cash in the form of political pay-offs. And what did we get? Practically nothing. (And in the last category, absolutely nothing.) Which leaves us pretty disappointed. However, nice radicals that we are, we're gonna give you all another chance. So take heed of what's below and give ECSU a brighter outlook for 1978.

Supplementary By-law submissions:

Don't let the title scare you — read on a little. For the last couple of years, Erindale student governments have been getting together and trying to get incorporated. Things have never really worked out the way they were planned but that hasn't stopped us from trying it ourselves. This year — surprise, surprise — we've got just about everything we need to add Inc. to our name. All we lack is a nifty little document called — here it comes again — a Supplementary By-Law. What the S B-L does is expound upon just about every aspect of what a student government should and shouldn't be. And this is your chance to tell us what YOU think. Just jot down any thoughts you've ever had on the subject, (steal some if you've never had any of your own) and bring 'em over to Colman Place on Residence Road. We'll add your thoughts to our own and then add the whole kit-and-caboodle to our By-Law of Incorporation for presentation to the Erindale College Council on February 1, 1978.

Make sure you include your name and address and phone number when you drop your submission off with the receptionist. And by the way, the best submission, as judged by an impartial panel of judges will be awarded a small bribe in the way of two free tickets to the upcoming Erindale Formal. We need your ideas by January 11th, so don't wait for spring, DO IT NOW!

The Yet-unnamed Erindale formal:

While we're on the topic of formals, we need a name for ours. So since you'll be in an inventive mood, dream up a classy name for a classy formal. Just to show you how classy it'll be, we're holding it at the Bristol Place Hotel on March 31, 1978. Naturally, everybody who's anybody at Erindale will be there. Paul Fox, Desmond Morton (you've heard THAT name before), Robin Ross — all the big names will be coming. And so will you if you know a good time when it bites you. So give us a name to add the finishing touch and we'll give you two free tickets PLUS places at the head table. What more could anyone ask? Money, of course, but we're not giving any of that away so you'll just have to settle for second best. Deadline for entries is January 31, 1978.

Erindepth II:

What this place has always needed is a yearbook. So this year we're giving it one. The great thing is that anyone can contribute — and you can give us anything you want. The only catch is that you have to say something about Erindale. Something nice, something nasty — anything at all. We need your creative scribblings (but typed, please), no later than January 20, 1978. No prizes for this one ... only the glory of seeing your name and work in print.

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Hey! We've got a phone number now. Got a question you want answered? Well pick up the phone instead of your feet and ring 828-5444. Patty Hanson will give you all the relevant data between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays. And don't forget to get your SAC Telephone Directory, available at the good ol' InfoDesk for the mere fee of 50 cents. Cheap at half the price but you still have to pay 50 cents.

LotoErindale:

Can't say much about this new one now but look for a great new contest to begin in the new year. Co-sponsored by ECSU (Your Favorite Enclave of Radicals) and the Erindale Administration. The details are still under wraps but this will be the biggest thing to hit Erindale in a long time. Fun galore, prizes galore. Stay tuned to the ECSU Page in Medium II for all the details.

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